# Annual Report 2022-23

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Badminton Tasmania 2022-23



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## STATE TEAM OFFICIALS

Open Team Coach Brent Munday

Open Team Managers Meg Graham

Mark Steczkowicz

Open Team Umpires Vicky Zhang

Pauline Dobson Casim Casim

State Selectors David Turner

Clinton Badger

Under 19 Team Coach Caroui Ouyang

Under 19 Team Managers Jane Kabalan/Adrian Rayner

Under 19 Team Umpire Pauline Dobson

Under 19 Selectors Brent Munday/Lasse Bundagaard

# TBA LIFE MEMBERSHIPS AWARDED

	*deceased
1933	*
1936	*
1941	*
9/5/48	*
27/2/49	*
7/2/54	*
5/12/54	*
7/12/58	*
1/12/63	*
3/12/72	*
1/12/74	*
7/12/75	*
21/11/76	*
3/12/82	
17/11/85	
17/11/85	
19/11/89	
1/12/96	
6/12/98	*
2/12/07	
2/12/07	
7/12/08	
5/12/10	
4/12/11	*
2/12/12	
6/12/15	
29/08/21	
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# TBA MERIT AWARDS

(made to a player, administrator, court official, coach or supporter who has given outstanding service but has not qualified for Life Membership)

-	•	*deceased
Neil Evans	1996	*
Dot Allison	1998	*
Geraldine Brown	2000	
David Turner	2000	
Jason Williams	2000	
Adrian Brown	2009	
Sheila Bird	2009	
Pauline Dobson	2009	
Bev Hite	2009	
Peter Cocker	2009	
David Jones	2009	
Peter Singline	2009	
Leon Young	2010	*

# **BADMINTON AUSTRALIA AWARDS (to Tasmanians)**

# **BA Life Membership**

Name	State	Year Awarded
Ralph W Ede Clendinnen	TAS	1968

# **BA** Conspicuous Service Awards

Name	State	Year Awarded
Ken Turner	Tas	1994
Doug Brain	TAS	1995
Ron Whittle	TAS	1995
Rex Collins	TAS	1995
John Wiltshire	TAS	1995
Barbara Wesley OAM	TAS	1995
Jean Hingston	TAS	1995
Dot Allyson	TAS	1998
Ken Turner	TAS	1999
Kelvin Hayes	TAS	2005
Gwen Richardson	TAS	2005
Geraldine Brown	TAS	2005
Bob Grundy	TAS	2013
Matthew Gillie	TAS	2013

# **BA Awards of Merit**

Name	State	Year Awarded
Neil Evans	TAS	1995
Harry Thompson	TAS	1995
Adrian Brown	TAS	1995
Pauline Dobson	TAS	1995
Leon Young	TAS	1995
Gwen Richardson	TAS	1999
Max Wood	TAS	2005
Brian Cooper	TAS	2005
Bob Grundy	TAS	2005
Lisa Hayes	TAS	2005
Trevor Hodgkinson	TAS	2005
Peter Cocker	TAS	2008
John Henderson	TAS	2013

# **BA Diplomas of Service**

Name	State	Year Awarded
Rose Meaghan	TAS	2013

# **BA Technical Official of the Year**

Name	State	Year Awarded
Peter Cocker	TAS	2008

# 2022/23 President's Report

As President I would like to express my thanks the Badminton Tasmania Members for their support throughout the year, in what has been an extremely busy year.

Special thanks Paul Brettell for your work in the Secretary role as well as your assistance over the past 3 years as a member of the foundation board, I wish you all the best in your future endeavours. Big thank you outgoing Treasurer Rob Brockman and Mark Steczkowicz/Karen Arnold for stepping into the role for the second half of the year. Thank you to Lasse Bundgaard (who has a comprehensive report here) and Matthew Gillie for all the work they do. The same applies to our members and volunteers who are so active on the ground.

#### Basic Overview:

- Continued outstanding high quality Sporting Schools programs delivered across the state.
- The creation of the GOSEN Junior Development Pathway Squad which conducted two camps (one in Launceston and one in Burnie.)
- Participation numbers continue to be strong in all sanctioned tournaments.
- The creation of the Junior Development committee Mrs Jane Kabalan, Mrs Bev Robotham and Mr Lasse Bundagaard.
- Continued delivery of the All Abilities program in the South and North of the state.
- Tasmania 2 winning silver in Division 2 at the Ede Clendinnen Shield, National Championships.

Badminton continues to grow in its exposure across the state via Sporting Schools programs. These programs run state-wide and are a key driver in membership growth as well as exposure of the sport.

The All Abilities program has once again continued to be a successful program resulting in a grant extension. I would like to thank and acknowledge Mr Lasse Bundagaard and Mr Matt Gillie for their work on both of these successful programs. It is a real asset for Badminton Tasmania to have the experience, knowledge and professionalism of these two on board to deliver such a high level programs.

2023 has seen Tasmania be able to send an under 17 team away to the National Championships. This is promising for our sport moving forward as we have a base level of players existing junior badminton, now the challenge is how to keep them playing and aspiring to develop at the next level to push for senior team selection.

This will continue to be a building block for Badminton Tasmania moving forward, now we have established strong development programs for our entry level players (Shuttle Smash programs & Sporting Schools) we need to get our junior players more technical training through accredited coaching.

Thank you to Jane Kabalan and Bev Robotham for your drive and assistance in the creation of the GOSEN Junior Pathway Program for which I have no doubt that we will see the reward for your hard work in years to come.

I would also like to give a sincere thank you for the support from Badminton Australia, Department of Communities, Sport and Recreation and Mark So from GOSEN Australia for their continued support throughout the year. Without their support we would not have been able to conduct the successful programs throughout the state.

Finally, I would like to thank the 2022/23 board of directors who have worked hard this year to ensure our game continues to grow. I would like to also thank the Southern Tasmanian Badminton Association, North West Badminton Association and Greater Northern Badminton Association without your contribution and support the work Badminton Tasmania does would not be possible.

**Brent Munday** 

Badminton Tasmania President 2022/23

# Membership and registration

Category	Total number
Number of Associations	3
Number of Clubs	9
Full Active Members – Players	1632
Program Members	3328

# <u>Technical Officials</u> - The number of technical officials per category as of 30 June 2023

Official Role	Total Number	Accredited	Certificated	Oceania Accredited	Oceania Certificated	BWF Accredited	BWF Certificated
Referee	2	1	1				
Umpire	20	15	3	1	1		
Line Judge	2				1	1	

# **MEMBERSHIP**

# 2022-23

# **Number Members:**

GNBA	NWBA	STBA	TOTAL
230	363	1039	1632
230	363	1039	1632

#### **MEETINGS**

There were 5 general meetings (13/9/2022, 11/10/2022, 23/11/2022, 23/3/2023, 16/5/2023); as well as a state online discussion forum for CAM's on the 6<sup>th</sup> of April. The AGM was held in Hobart for the 2022-23 financial year, as well as some discussions at events, phone and numerous emails. Communication between Board Members has been positive and excellent. Paul Bretell resigned after a great contribution over a number of years as a foundation member of the Badminton Tasmania board replaced by Mark Steczkowicz in January.

## **COMMITTEES / PROGRAMS.**

Lasse Bundgaard and Matthew Gillie were jointly appointed participation managers to monitor and manage the Sporting Schools Program, the All-Abilities Badminton Program and all our Come and Try Programs.

# STATE GRADING COMMITTEE

Stephen Gale – NWBA, Scott Viney – GNBA, Matt Stewart – STBA, Debby McGinniss - BT

### STATE JUNIOR COMMITTEE

This year Badminton Tasmania created a junior sub committee to assist with the running of junior coaching camps and junior state teams. The members of this committee were Jane Kabalan, Bev Robotham and Lasse Bundgaard.

# **STATE TEAMS**

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## Open/Senior

The Ede Clendinnen Shield & Australian Championships which were held in Bendigo, Victoria in April 2023.

The selected Tasmanian Team members were:

Tasmania 1 – (Competed in the Division 1 Championships of the Ede Clendinnen Shield

Brent	Munday	NWBA	Carol	Ouyang	STBA
Rowan	Henderson	STBA	Phuc	Le	STBA
Will	Ponsonby	STBA	Leesa	Grundy	STBA
			Meg	Graham	NWBA

Tasmania 2 – (Competed in the Division 2 Championships)

Stephen	Gale	NWBA	Annalea	Reid	STBA
Scott	Viney	GNBA	Chi Chen	Gooi	GNBA
Lachlan	Macdonald-Meyer	STBA	Christina	Cui	STBA

Umpires: Pauline Dobson (Tas 1), Vicky Zhang (Tas 2), Casim Casim (Tas 2)

Managers: Meg Graham, Mark Steczkowicz

Coach: Brent Munday



Tasmania 1 Tasmania 2



# Under 19 Tasmanian Team

The Under 19 C.P Madden Trophy & Australian Championships which were held in Adelaide, South Australia in July 2022.

The selected Tasmanian Team members were:

Andre	Chua	STBA	Hayley	Rice	STBA
Oscar	Blackburn	STBA	Samia	Kabalan	STBA
Codi	Barrett	STBA	Annabelle	Woolward	STBA
Toby	Rayner	STBA			
Lachlan	Johnstone	STBA			

Umpires: Pauline Dobson

Managers: Jane Kabalan, Adrian Rayner

Coach: Caroui Ouyang



# **Event Highlights:**



**DAVID TURNER TROPHY** 

Awarded to Best and Fairest players at the Ede Clendinnen Shield 2022 Winners – Lachlan Mcdonald Meyer(Tas 2) & William Ponsonby (Tas 1)



MAX WOOD TROPHY

Awarded to Best and Fairest players at the Under 19 C.P Madden Trophy 2023 Winner – Andre Chua

### TASMANIAN EVENTS

## SANCTIONED TOURNAMENTS

Tasmania held 6 sanctioned tournaments in this period:

City of Hobart August 13<sup>th</sup> / 14<sup>th</sup> 2022

Tasmanian Championships August 27<sup>th</sup> / 28<sup>th</sup> 2022

STBA Invitational March 4<sup>th</sup>/ 5<sup>th</sup> 2023

GOSEN Australian Multicultural Championships March 25<sup>th</sup> / 26<sup>th</sup> 2023

GOSEN Tasmanian Teams Championships May 20<sup>th</sup> / 21<sup>st</sup> 2023

NWBA North West Championships June 17<sup>th</sup> / 18<sup>th</sup> 2023

# City of Hobart August 13<sup>th</sup> / 14<sup>th</sup> 2022 South Hobart Badminton Centre

Jordan Lee (Malaysia)
Caorui Ouyang
Rowan Henderson+Brent Munday
Phuc Le+Leesa Grundy
H.E Thisara+Leesa Grundy
Jordan Lee (Malaysia)
Caroui Ouyang
Jordan Lee+Louis Lee
Jenny Badger+Maria Shelverton
No Event
Pak Ho Leung
Ester Cheang
Ryan Aditama+Hin Sing Wing
Nya Ping Cheung+Christina Cui
Wai Leong Chiew+Theresa Tang
Codi Barrett

C Grade Women's Singles	Lei Lei
C Grade Men's Doubles	Pak Ho Leung+Bin Zhou
C Grade Women's Doubles	Nya Pin Cheung+Lei Lei
C Grade Mixed Doubles	Luke Bennett+Nya Pin Cheung
D Grade Men's Singles	Tristan Thiessen
D Grade Women's Singles	Samia Kabalan
D Grade Men's Doubles	David Coombes+Martin Valencia
D Grade Women's Doubles	Sarah Gardner+Samia Kabalan
D Grade Mixed Doubles	Donng+Xintong Gui
Under 19 Boy's Singles	Toby Rayner
Under 19 Girls Singles	No Event
Under 19 Boy's Doubles	Josiah Reimers + Jacob Wyllie
Under 19 Girl's Doubles	No Event
Under 19 Mixed Doubles	Toby Rayner+Grace Finkelede
Under 17 Boy's Singles	Zhu Ron Tran
Under 17 Girls Singles	Samia Kabalan
Under 17 Boy's Doubles	Callan Stewart + Zhu Ron Tran
Under 17 Girl's Doubles	No Event
Under 17 Mixed Doubles	Tianyu Peng + Lucy Wu
Under 15 Boy's Singles	Richi Sato
Under 15 Girls Singles	Leisel Reimers
Under 15 Boy's Doubles	Richi Sato + Vincent Wong
Under 15 Girl's Doubles	Maye Rayner + Lizzy Runky
Under 15 Mixed Doubles	Murdoch Lee + Max Gordon

# 2022 Tasmanian Championships August 26<sup>th</sup> & 27<sup>th</sup> Elphin Sports Centre

Open Men's Singles	H.E Thisrara
Open Women's Singles	Caroui Ouyang
Open Men's Doubles	Brent Munday / Rowan Henderson
Open Women's Doubles	Phuc Le /Leesa Grundy
Open Mixed Doubles	William Ponsonby / Leesa Grundy
A Reserve Men's Singles	A.Chua
A Reserve Women's Singles	No Event
A Reserve Men's Doubles	J.Yeoh / L.Macdonald - Meyer
A Reserve Women's Doubles	J.Badger / M.Shelverton
A Reserve Mixed Doubles	S.Viney / J.Badger
B Grade Men's Singles	A.Gova
B Grade Women's Singles	R.Bairy (Vic)
B Grade Men's Doubles	A.Gova / A.Wang
B Grade Women's Doubles	C.Cui / A.Thich
B Grade Mixed Doubles	A.Gova / C.C. Gooi
C Grade Men's Singles	T.Rayner
C Grade Women's Singles	N.P.Cheung
C Grade Men's Doubles	S.Russell / M.Stewart
C Grade Women's Doubles	A.Cui / C.Wubary
C Grade Mixed Doubles	M.Stewart / B.Krishnadasa
D Grade Men's Singles	H.Z Dong
D Grade Women's Singles	J.Chen
D Grade Men's Doubles	Y.Lai / S.Xinen
D Grade Women's Doubles	F.Irena / X Qui
D Grade Mixed Doubles	Y.Lai / J.Chen
Under 19 Boy's Singles	Andre Chua

N.Nguyen / J.Wyllie  No Event
No Event
J.Wyllie / E.Chamley
N.Samarabandu
S.Kabalan
No Event
E.Chamley / D.Rajakaruna
N.Nguyen / E.Chamley
N.Samarabandu
D.Rajakaruna
No Event
T. Rajakaruna / D.Rajakaruna
N.Samarabandu / T.Rajakaruna
No Event
M.Reimers
No Event
T.Rajakaruna / D.Rajakaruna
No Event

2022 Open Tasmanian Champions



Open Men's Singles H.E Thisara



Open Ladies Singles Caroui Ouyang



Open Men's Doubles Brent Munday & Rowan Henderson



Open Ladies Doubles Leesa Grundy & Phuc Le



Open Mixed Doubles William Ponsonby & Leesa Grundy

# STBA Invitational Championships March 4<sup>th</sup> & 5<sup>th</sup> 2023 South Hobart Badminton Centre

Open Men's Singles	W.Ponsonby
Open Women's Singles	M.Graham
Open Men's Doubles	W.Ponsonby / J.Cracknell
Open Women's Doubles	M.Graham /L Grundy
Open Mixed Doubles	B.Munday / M.Graham
A Reserve Men's Singles	P.Kwok
A Reserve Women's Singles	No Event
A Reserve Men's Doubles	S.Viney / L.Macdonald - Meyer
A Reserve Women's Doubles	No Event
A Reserve Mixed Doubles	P.Kwok / P.Lim
B Grade Men's Singles	A.Linneman
B Grade Women's Singles	E.Cheang
B Grade Men's Doubles	A.Linneman / C.Allen
B Grade Women's Doubles	I.Guo / L.Lei
B Grade Mixed Doubles	A.Linneman / W.S.Mah
C Grade Men's Singles	T.Thiessen
C Grade Women's Singles	No Event
C Grade Men's Doubles	K.Ding / J.Vo
C Grade Women's Doubles	H.Chen / H.Li
C Grade Mixed Doubles	L.Bennett / Y.Wu
D Grade Men's Singles	F.Ng
D Grade Women's Singles	S.Kabalan
D Grade Men's Doubles	L.Gemini / Q.Hu
D Grade Women's Doubles	S.Kabalan / S.Gardner
D Grade Mixed Doubles	L.Gemini / N.Zau
Under 19 Boy's Singles	No Event

Under 19 Girls Singles	No Event
Under 19 Boy's Doubles	T.Rayner / J.Reimers
Under 19 Girl's Doubles	No Event
Under 19 Mixed Doubles	No Event
Under 17 Boy's Singles	F.Stewart
Under 17 Girls Singles	M.Reimers
Under 17 Boy's Doubles	F.Stewart / C.Stewart
Under 17 Girl's Doubles	A.Reimers / L.Remiers
Under 17 Mixed Doubles	D.Mooney / S.Gardner
Under 15 Boy's Singles	S.Mcintyre
Under 15 Girls Singles	No Event
Under 15 Boy's Doubles	S.Mcintyre / A.Dalman
Under 15 Girl's Doubles	No Event
Under 15 Mixed Doubles	No Event
Under 13 Boy's Singles	A.Soo
Under 13 Girls Singles	M.Rayner
Under 13 Boy's Doubles	No Event
Under 13 Girl's Doubles	M.Rayner / S.Yu
Under 13 Mixed Doubles	No Event

# 2023 GOSEN Australian Multicultural Championships Saturday 26<sup>th</sup> & Sunday 27<sup>th</sup> March 2023 Elphin Sports Centre

ports Centre	
William Ponsonby	
Meg Graham	
William Ponsonby+Li Hong Chew	
Meg Graham+Leesa Grundy	
Brent Munday+Meg Graham	
Yaozu David Zhou	
Kishani Raveena Sumathipala	
Lachlan Macdonald-Meyer+Scott Viney	
Ester Cheang+Huei Chen	
Lachlan Macdonald-Meyer+Wei Sia Mah	
Nithika Samarabandu	
Samia Alice Kabalan	
Philip Andrews+Simon Russell	
Huei Chen+Anna Cui	
Huy Thai+Phoebe Hoang	
Kasun Wadumesthrige	
Samia Alice Kabalan	
Quoc Dung Ngo+Khoa Vu Nguyen	
Sarah Gardner+Samia Alice Kabalan	
Kasun Wadumesthrige+Thi Vuong	
Nithika Samarabandu	
Samia Alice Kabalan	
Toby Rayner+Josiah Reimers	
Sarah Gardner+Samia Alice Kabalan	
Nithika Samarabandu+Danara Rajakaruna	

# NWBA North West Teams Invitational Championships

# Saturday 17thth & Sunday 18th June 2023 Burnie Sports Centre



**Division 1 Champions – Devonport** 

Lachlan Macdonald-Meyer ©, Ruwan, Richard Stewart, Chris Allen, Nam Nguyen, Eric Zhina, Sarah Gardner, Tharanga, Christine Bryant



Division 1 Relay Champions - Sheffield

Don Emmerton, Simon Russell, Nithika Sarambandu, Meg Graham  $\mathbb O$ , Menaka Engra



Division 2 Relay Champions – Penguin
Thinara, Crystall Russell, Maclan Baker, Emma Jade, Mohan

# 2023 GOSEN Tasmanian Teams Championships & Bellchambers Cup **May 20<sup>th</sup> / 21<sup>st</sup>**

# **Elphin Sports Centre**

2023 the event had record entries of 102 players. The event also included a presentation dinner held at the Gunners Arms Hotel room.

## **Bellchambers Cup Doubles Championship winners:**

Division 1 Men's – Sam Burnett

Division 1 Ladies – Meg Graham

Division 2 Men's – Simon Russell

Division 2 Ladies - Crystal Russell

Division 3 Men's – Adrian Sakana

Division 3 Ladies – Zoe Alexander











**Open Division 2021 GOSEN Tasmanian Teams Champions** 

## **Launceston Lakers**





**Division 2** 

**GOSEN Tasmania Teams Champions** 

**Launceston Lakers** 

Division 3

**GOSEN Tasmania Teams Champions** 

**North Hobart Hawks** 



2023 GOSEN Tasmanian Teams Championships – Overall Teams Champions

Launceston Lakers



2023 Bellchambers Cup Winners

# Tasmanian Awards

### 2022 TASMANIAN PLAYER OF THE YEAR AWARDS/TROPHIES

These trophies/awards are determined by a point system from individual placings in the Tasmanian sanctioned tournaments during the year. Higher points available for Tas Champs placings, the calculations usually require finalising during the Tasmanian Championships. Presentation of the Trophy and/or Certificate are conducted at the conclusion of the Tasmanian Championships.

# Rex Collins AM Memorial Trophy

This trophy is donated by the Collins family and is for an Open player, male and female, determined by only Open events points over all tournaments.

Rex Collins was a former Australian player, President of the TBA, Australian Coach Presenter & Examiner and Coach of the Tas Open state teams.

The Trophy was presented by Rex's daughter Pauline Dobson.



2022 Winners: Brent Munday and Caroui Ouyang

# Harry Thompson OAM Trophy

This perpetual trophy was donated by the Thompson family and is in memory of Harry Thompson who was a strong supporter of junior badminton. It is awarded to a junior player, male or female, determined by all junior events points over all tournaments.

Harry was both an Australian and Tasmanian Badminton Association President and coached junior players for many years.



2022 Winner: Andre Chua & Samia Kabalan

# Henderson Family Award

Donated by the Henderson family, this trophy is in recognition of their 3 boys, all state team representatives from U16, U17, U19 & Open teams, determined by events points only within any one grade over all tournaments. The Trophy was presented by Rowan Henderson.



2022 Winner: Brent Munday

# Phyllis Archer Award

This award was donated in memory of one of the stalwarts of Tasmanian badminton and is presented to the best female player, determined by events points only within any one grade over all tournaments.



2022 Winner: Caroui Ouyang

## **Badminton Tasmania Participation Program**

### Overview

- GOSEN Tasmanian Junior Pathway Program
- Sporting Schools Program
- All Abilities Program & Para Program
- Shuttle Smash Program
- Acknowledgements

# **GOSEN Tasmanian Junior Pathway Program**

In 2023, Badminton Tasmania launched the GOSEN Tasmanian Junior Pathway Program with the aim of developing Tasmania's best junior badminton players. This program focuses on intensive training camps and competitions. The first junior development camp was held on June 3 and 4, 2023, at the Elphin Sports Centre, where 19 junior players, along with coaches and parents, participated. This camp provided valuable training opportunities and allowed players to interact with players from across the state and experienced coaches. Upcoming camps include one in Burnie in August 2023 and an interstate camp planned for December 2023.

## **Sporting Schools Program**

The Sporting Schools Program, an initiative by the Australian Government, aims to increase children's participation in sports and connect them with community sport opportunities. Badminton is one of 35 sports included in this program, with offerings for primary school students and a targeted program for Year 7 and 8 students in secondary schools. Badminton Tasmania is responsible for delivering the Sporting Schools Badminton Program to schools in Tasmania. In the period from July 1, 2022, to June 30, 2023, Badminton Tasmania successfully delivered the program to 22 schools across Tasmania, engaging more than 2,000 students in badminton through at least 4 sessions each.

## All Abilities Program & Para Program

For the past two years, Badminton Tasmania has been running the All Abilities Badminton Program and the Para Badminton Program.

### All Abilities Badminton Program:

This program is designed for children and adults living with disabilities, welcoming participants aged 10+ of all abilities, including those with Autism Spectrum Disorder, Down Syndrome, and other intellectual disabilities. Regular sessions are conducted in Hobart and Launceston, and the program has seen growth in both participants and volunteers. Positive feedback has been received from participants, parents, and caregivers, highlighting the program's significant social and community benefits.

### Para Badminton Program:

Targeted at participants aged 10+ with physical disabilities or impairments eligible for Para-Sport pathways, this program includes wheelchair users and ambulant participants with various physical disabilities. Regular sessions are held in Hobart and Launceston, and Mr.

Dominic Monypenny represented Tasmania at the Para Oceania Championships in Melbourne from July 29 to 31, 2022.

# **Shuttle Smash Program**

The Shuttle Smash Program, Badminton Australia's initiative for children aged 5–12, focuses on developing life skills and foundational movement patterns. Badminton Tasmania coordinates this program in the state, successfully organizing programs in various locations, including Port Sorell, Snug, the Huon Valley, and Launceston. More programs are scheduled for Term 3 and 4 in 2023.

Program forms the base of the badminton pathway, building foundational movement patterns in children so they can enjoy sport and badminton for the rest of their lives. For clubs and venues, being part of the Shuttle Smash Program brings a suite of benefits including:

- freely accessible resources.
- 24 lesson plans.
- expansion activities for First Nations Communities and All Abilities participants.
- marketing and social media collateral.
- plenty more.

If you are interested in running a Shuttle Smash Program, please get in touch with Lasse Bundgaard at Badminton Tasmania!

## 1. Acknowledgement

Badminton Tasmania would like to acknowledge and thank the Tasmanian Department of Sport & Recreation, the Commonwealth Department of Social Services, GOSEN Australia and Badminton Australia for their ongoing support.

Thanks also to Tasmanian Regional Sports Coordinators Rachael Stebbings, Sarah Mogridge, and Nathan Dennis for promoting our sport and for the great opportunities given to badminton.

Finally, thanks to the many coaches and volunteers for making the GOSEN Pathway Program, the Sporting Schools Badminton Program, the Shuttle Smash Program, the All Abilities Badminton Program & Para Program such a great success.

Lasse Bundgaard

Participation Program Manager & Coach